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WEEKLY COTTON GRADE AND STAPLE REPORT FOR SOUTHEASTERN STATES FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 26, 1937

The first weekly cotton grade and staple reports for Georgia, Alabama, and Florida, were released today by the Atlanta office of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, U. S. Department of Agriculture. These reports are based on the actual classification of samples received from gins selected to represent a cross-section of the crop.

The reports indicate that early ginnings this season are lower in grade than early ginnings last year in Georgia and Florida, but that grades in Alabama are slightly higher than last year. Based on samples classed to date, Strict Middling and higher grades, White, represent about 13 percent of the samples classed from Georgia ginnings, 24 percent from Alabama, and 8 percent from Florida. The proportions within Spotted grades are considerably larger than in early reports last season in each case.

Evidence of improved staple length for Georgia and Alabama is shown in larger proportions this year for the longer staple lengths. About 18 percent of the samples classed to date, from Georgia and also from Alabama, is 1 inch and longer.

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